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SUBJECT: PRIME MINISTER GANDHI TO VISIT MEXICO AND CUBA

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1. A MEXICAN EMBASSY OFFICER CONFIRMED TO US MAY 28 A REPORT IN THE TIMES OF INDIA THAT PRIME MINISTER GANDHI IS PLANNING TO VISIT MEXICO AND CUBA IN THE THIRD WEEK OF JUNE. ACCORDING TO THE MEXICAN OFFICER, MRS. GANDHI WILL BE ARRIVING IN MEXICO CITY O/A JUNE 17 TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR CONFERENCE AS WELL AS MAKE A STATE VISIT AT THE INVITATION OF PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA. FROM MEXICO SHE WILL PROCEED TO HAVANA. MRS. GANDHI'S ROUTE ON HER WAY TO MEXICO CITY AND BACK FROM

HAVANA ARE NOT KNOWN. ACCORDING TO THE TIMES CORRESPONDENT (CHAKRAVARTY), THE HAVANA VISIT IS VIEWED HERE AS HAVING SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF "INDIA'S KNOWN DESIRE TO MOBILIZE NON-ALIGNED NATIONS FOR A JOINT INITIATIVE TO OVERCOME THE PROBLEMS OF DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION."

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2. A MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS OFFICIAL TOLD US MAY 27, BEFORE THE PUBLICATION OF THE TIMES OF INDIA REPORT, THAT THE CHIEF MINISTER OF THE STATE OF ORISSA, MRS. NADINI SATPATHY, WOULD HEAD THE INDIAN DELEGATION TO THE WOMEN'S YEAR CONFERENCE (REFTEL). MRS. SATPATHY, AN ORISSA COMMUNIST PARTY MEMBER SINCE 1965, IS A LEADING MEMBER OF MRS. GANDHI'S RULING CONGRESS PARTY. OUR MEA CONTACT HOPED TO HAVE A COMPLETE LIST OF THE INDIAN DELEGATES AT THE END OF THE WEEK. SHE IN TURN REQUESTED THAT WE PROVIDE HER A LIST OF THE U.S. DELEGATES.

ACTION REQUESTED: IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF THE DEPARTMENT WOULD FORWARD SUCH A LIST OR AT LEAST THE NAMES OF THE PRINCIPAL U.S. DELEGATES SO THAT WE CAN PASS THEM TO THE INTERESTED MEA OFFICIAL.
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